Central University status to Barkatullah University

†2177. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Madhya Pradesh had submitted a proposal to Government for granting status of Central University to Barkatullah University, Bhopal in Madhya Pradesh in September, 2004; and

(b) by when the status of Central University would be granted to the said University?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Since the present policy is to consolidate facilities in the existing State Universities, the proposal has not been agreed to.

SC direction regarding Right to Education

2178. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Supreme Court has issued a notice in December, 2005 to the Union Government in connection with the enforcement of Right to Education of every child in the age group of 6-14 years by abolishing child labour in all forms;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reply given by the Centre;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government are thinking of setting up of National Commission for the Protection of Child Rights;

(d) if so, the salient features of the Commission; and

(e) how the proposed Commission would help in eliminating the child labour from the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (b) The Supreme Court has recently admitted a Public Interest Litigation, that prays for absolute prohibition of child labour in the wake of the Constitution

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.